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HENDERSON REPLIES

TO STATEMENTS MADE IN DEFENSE OF PROF. KEALING

REV. W. D. CAIN, THE AUTHOR

A Selfish and Dastardly Plot Defeated Through the Columns of The Freeman--Kealing as an Officer.

I was informed some weeks ago, that I would be the object of attack by a certain faction in Texas because of what I had said in favor of Drs. Taylor, Denham and Roberts and President I. M. Burgan and in criticism of Prof. Kealing. The article which appeared lately, therefore, was not a surprise but I was surprised that men so astute as those who inspired it should make such a mistake in their selection of a tool. Let anyone who will read what is said by Mr. Cain and he will see that the whole thing is designed to mislead the laymen into regarding Prof. Kealing as a martyr and rushing in unreasoning ranks to his rescue. There was a day when that sort of stampede could be worked among delegates as easily as among Texas steers but that day is past. I have more than a score of warm and close personal friends among the laymen who are men of intelligence and strong character and I believe that there are a great many more just such men among them. If so they all will see through Mr. Cain's purile attempt to gull them.

Mr. Cain does not make a single attempt to show that Prof. Kealing has been a success but takes up two columns to say that he should be re-elected because he is a layman and to try and prove that I criticized him for a like reason. Such interpretations are narrow, mischievous and false. Mr. Cain is a fool friend. I will not violate the sanctity of personal correspondence but suggest that he peruse a copy of his letter to me, Oct. 5, 1899 and then read my reply. These two letters should personally show him his error and make him to know that his motive is laid bare.

I never even thought of being a candidate for the editorship of the Christian Recorder until a bishop had in public made several references to me as such. Until then I had not even regarded the matter. Before I knew it, I was generally thought of in this relation and soon began to receive favorable letters from everywhere. As the time to elect delegates drew near and general conference slates were being shaped I was repeatedly cautioned not to write this or to say the other. I was told on all hands that if I did not write to The Freeman I would be elected with ease. I was deeply interested in our African work and in the work being done by several of our leading men who dare to be independent and the time came when I saw that a word of warning from even the most humble who might have knowledge of what was a foot would defeat a selfish and dastardly plot to do great harm, so I just said good-bye to my short-lived ambition and wrote. If ever the thumbscrews were put on any preacher for daring to talk out, they were put on me. To deny that I have had to travel a rocky road for sometime would be false. I have caught it from every quarter but enough men of principle have been made aware of the political tricks that were hatched to assure the defeat of most of those tricks.

I have refrained from giving names, dates, schemes and details simply to save the credit of many persons implicated. Even Mr. Cain might hesitate to lend himself as a tool to the ring, if he knew a little more about it. I have been giving mention to Dr. B. W. Roberts for years and when I discovered that it was being circulated that he was crazy I again began to mention him. Yes that tale is or was circulated by friends of the man for whom Cain is so sure of his support. It is told everywhere that when certain concessions are forced, Dr. Denham is to be taken out of the race for Dr. Moore's place and parties of the same crowd affected to laugh at Dr. Taylor, all of this is to make a clear field for Prof. Kealing. I will not now tell why there is so much being done for Kealing, there are enough persons who know to give warning. Cain may regard Drs. Roberts, Taylor and Denham and President Burgan so lightly as to regard any mention of them as mere taffy but Cain is not Texas or the church. Kealing has a strong faction with him and the boast that all will be driven into line may be executed, if so it will not be a triumph of the right.

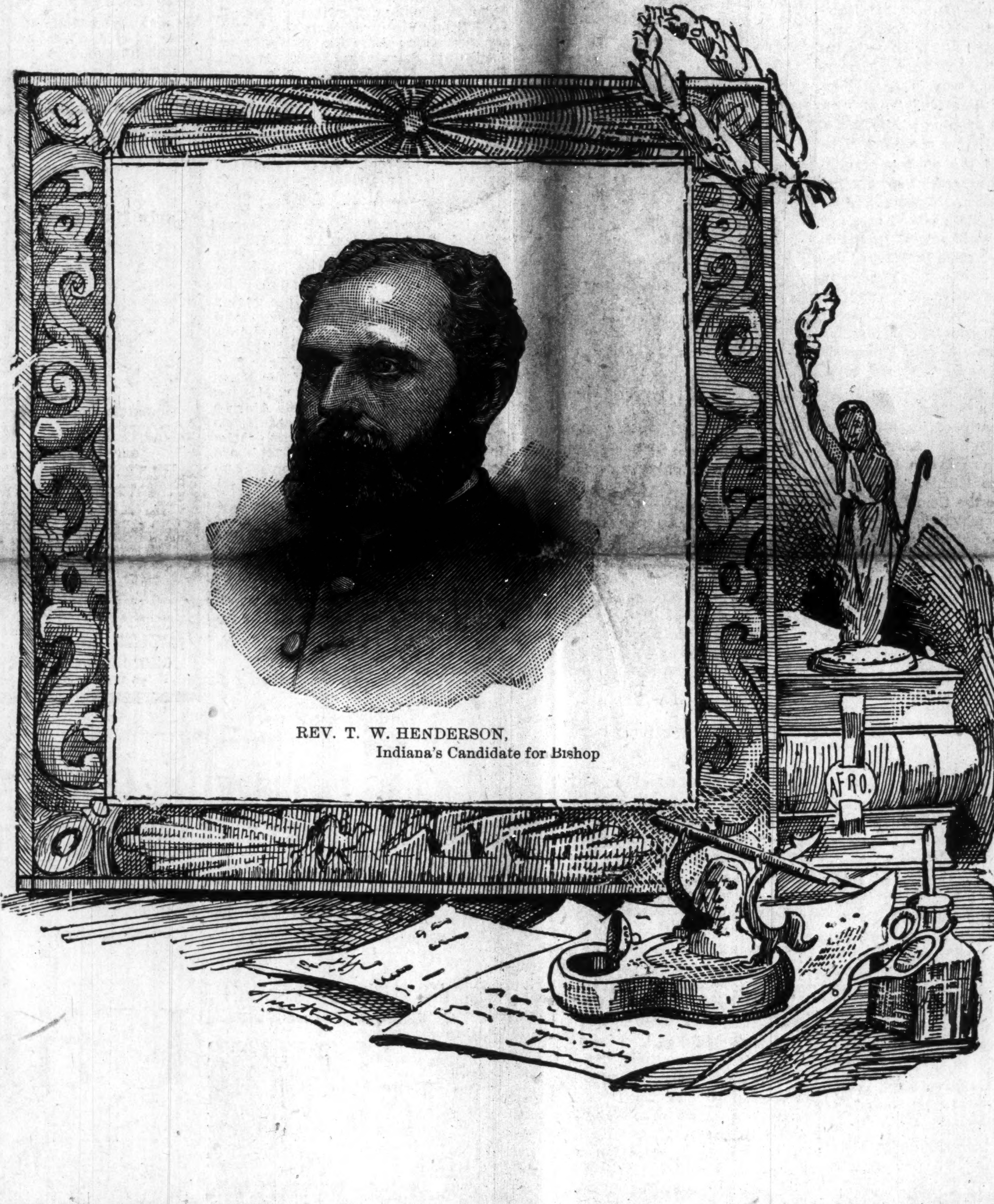
No one has opposed Kealing because he is a layman except two bishops, so far as I know. I have heard two bishops say that while they favor recognizing the layman yet they do not think that of all offices the Review is the proper one for a layman. I know all about Kealing's election and Dr. Ransom and I voted for him and asked our friends to do so. I did all I could to help him for his first two years and then stopped. You ask why? Simply because I saw that he had no business ability, no energy and no elements of success and was only capable of turning out pretty little sentences and gilded toys. I am prepared to submit certified copies of three written opinions of the present A. M. E. Review as a periodical, opinions from three great magazine men. Such a production would not become to be anything of force in a thousand years. Let Prof. Kealing publish a correct statement of the total receipts on account of Review and of his traveling expences and the cost of publication. If our church is able to pay some pet a salary to produce a magazine that in four years cannot catch up to even its past standing, alright, let it do so. I do not want Kealing's job nor do I advocate that it be taken away from the laymen but I do say it should be put into the hands of a man who will make a success, be he layman or minister. Why re-elect a failure? Whatever may be said about the Sunday-school Union, it pays its way and the salary of its manager, it is not a dead expence to the church. It ownes property that has accrued from its work.

Brother Chappelle, to the alarm of some who now flatter him, has demonstrated his ability to take care of himself. If any responsible parties ask me to tell why I had to battle for election, I will tell the story clearly and in a way to carry conviction.

To let all see the standard by which I measure what we should accomplish with the Review I give a clipping from a magazine of about the same age but without equal advantages and opportunities. "Those who measure themselves by themselves are not wise."

This month, there are printed 63,000 copies of "The——" magazine. Few realize what an enormous number of copies 63,000 really is. Perhaps the reader will be interested in a few facts and figures that will demonstrate this more clearly. For instance, although a single thickness of paper is a very light thing, it takes nearly nine tons of white paper to print only one month's issue. A ton of hay is a very fair crop to raise on an acre of land, yet it would take nine acres to raise enough to overbalance the weight of a single edition of "The——." Piled one upon another, as the reader has noticed displayed on the counter of the news dealer, this edition of "The——" would reach to a height of nearly one thousand feet, or nearly twice the height of the highest of the great pyramids of Egypt. Including the cover, there are 84 pages in this month's book. Laid end to end, these pages would extend nearly two hundred miles, a distance nearly as great as from the North Pole to Peary's most northern point. The presses on which "The——" is printed are modern, fast, two revolution presses. When in operation they print upon the average 1200 sheets of 32 pages each, per hour. If one end of this two hundred-mile stretch of "The——", pages were started through one of these presses at its usual speed and run continuously ten working hours in a day, it would take over four months to reach the end of the line. There is not much weight of ink on the copy of "The——" that you are now reading, but the amount of ink used to print this month's magazine would overbalance a pretty good sized fifteen-year-old boy. A few comparisons like these give one a new idea of the size of "The——" magazine edition for a single month.

JOHN M. HENDERSON,
Brooklyn, N. Y.



REV. T. W. HENDERSON,
Indiana's Candidate for Bishop

Resignation Tendered.

Donaldson, Tenn., Special.—Prof. W. P. Rose, who has been in charge of our school for more than 13 years will place his resignation in the hands of the board in a few days, Mr. Rose stands prominent among the leading educators of our race and is known throughout the country as an able debator, a forcible and logical speaker. He takes a responsible position in the Nashville Post Office. The citizens of this place white and black are raising a fund to buy him some testimonial. Mr. Rose has recommended Mr. J. W. Lee for his position after conferring with his associate teachers. Miss Susie McGhee has entered Central Tennessee College at Nashville and Miss Fannie Frazier, Fisk University. Mr. Madison Bryant has returned home from an extended tour through Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois. Miss Lulu C. Frierson a teacher has been on the sick list for several days. Miss Maggie R. Darr is lying dangerously ill at the residence of her father. Miss Sallie Norris was married to Mr. Albert Johnson during the holidays. Several of Mr. Geo. Shanes children are quite ill. Miss Lulu Simmons of Una visited friends here a few days ago. Mrs. Lucy Rowe and Lizzie Davis paid our school a visit this week.

Interesting Notes.

Connersville, Ind., Special.—Mesdames Annie Boone, A. West, Mrs. Pointer and Mrs. J. Lewis are on the sick list. Mrs. Mariah Belle is convalescent. Rev. White has began a good revival. If you want to get a blessing go to the A. M. E. church to Friday night class meeting. Mrs. Harriet Foster and wife are visiting their son at Chicago Ill. The funeral of R. Allen will take place at Mt. Zion Baptist church, Jan. 15. Mrs. Anna Smith disappeared from the city quite suddenly Sunday morning. She was supposed to have gone to her home in Evansville. Mrs. Geo. Collins entertained a number of her lady friends in honor of her daughter's 16th birthday. Butler Harris, engineer at the Rex Buggy Company has had success for 15 years. Albert Allen, of Cincinnati died Friday Jan. 12, aged 30. Mrs. Wm. Allen, went to Cincinnati to see about the arrangements for her brother's funeral. Mrs. Robert West will soon enjoy their beautiful new home.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE "QUEEN CITY" OF THE GAS BELT FURNISHES A GOODLY

PORTION OF INTERESTING ITEMS

Social Events Numerous--The Chimes of Wedding Bells--A Business Venture—Proprietress of Carpet Factory.

Marion, Ind., special.—The lost is found and the Queen City of the gas belt is alive once more. Our little city, Marion, has not been heard from for some time. Not that she could find nothing to say but she has been sleeping the sleep of the indolent but the clanging of innumerable wedding bells has at last aroused her from her lethargy. Cupid has been busy in our little town for some time and as a result, for five weeks we have heard nothing except the incessant chiming of wedding bells, the last of which was that of Miss Susie Wilson and Mr. Maurice Dycen. The couple were happily married at high noon Jan. 4, in the presence of numbers of friends at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Burden. The ceremony was performed by the brother of the bride, Rev. Tucker E. Wilson and Rev. Mossell, of the 5th Street Baptist church. The happy pair left amid showers of Rice at 5.50 p. m. for Anderson, their future home. Miss Mayme E. Clay, elocutionist and Miss Cora A. Julius high class baritone singer late of the Amourranth jubilee singers have returned home. Both are looking well. If you want to get married move to Marion. We have had eight weddings in high colored circles in the last four months. We don't believe in single blessedness. A trolly party was given last Sunday p. m. to Alexandria in honor of Miss Mayme E. Clay of Indianapolis, Ind. Members of the party were, Misses May Jefferies, Mayme Clay, Cora A. Julius, Georgia Jefferies, Libby Hill and Messrs, Jno. C. Smith, Chas. Jenkins, Chas. Spires, Chester Casey Fred Jeffries. All reported a jolly good time. Mrs. Anna P. Julius has purchased the entire carpet factory of S. E. Julius and Son. She is going to build a large factory with all modern improvements and will be ready to do work for all parts of the state. I think it will be safe to say that Mrs. Julius is the only proprietress of a carpet factory in the State. We wish her success. Mr. Wm. Blakeman spent a few days in Marion visiting friends.

Interesting Happenings.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Services were held at both churches Sunday with a large attendance. Rev. D. S. Slaughter and also Rev. T. E. Wilson preached eloquent sermons. Revival is going on at the A. M. E. church. Miss Stella Watkins is somewhat improved. Miss Pearl Davis is able to be out after a brief illness. The "Big Three Club," consisting of Mr. Allen Green, Mr, J. O. Culpher and Mr. G. N. Frazier delightfully entertained a company of friends last Tuesday night at the home of the former on S. Plum st. At a late hour luncheon was served. Music and dancing was the diversion of the evening. Also a watch contest was held. Miss Cora Means received the first prize and Miss Louise Bush the consolation prize. Everyone present reported a delightful time. Miss Minnie Hulse is visiting friends in Rushville. Mr. Wilkie Collins has returned to his home in Lima O. Mrs. John Downs entertained a few friends in honor of Miss Mayme Weekley of Louisville Ky., at her home on E. First street. The evening was spent in conversation and music. The B. Y. P. U. of the Second Baptist church gave a social last Thursday night, it was well attended and a neat sum was realized. Mr. Arthur white has returned home from visiting friends in Kokomo, Frankfort and Lafayette. Mr. Eugene Bunday has come to Muncie from Blountsville where he expects to make his future home. The firm of Jones and Adams, who started in the grocery business about 2 years ago reported a fair business. They are men of much ability and are working hard to make a mark for the elevation of our people.

Fighting the Devil.

"Sin Killer," the Texas divine who has been fihgting the devil so successfully in Missouri, has crossed the river and attacked his agents in the good state of Indiana. The Freeman is advertising his meetings."—The Dallas (Tex.) Express.

Just a few copies of our Holiday Number left. A copy sent to any address for 5c.

B. SQUARE'S BLUSTER

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved—By the progressive colored Americans in sober reflections assembled that the year 1900 must and will be the brightest, best and most progressive in the history of the American Negro; be it also

Resolved,—That during the year 1900 every minister and every teacher shall practice what he preaches and teaches; that every writer live up to his writings; every race leader follow his lead; every "political leader" loose sight of self and a fat office and look after the weal of his race; that the rich help the poor and the educated, the ignorant.

A JINGLE FOR JUDGE LYNCH.

He was burned in old Kentucky,
Where the meadow grass is blue.
He was shot and mutilated
Hanged and then revived anew.
He was burned in old Kentucky
After all he's mighty lucky
That they didn't skin him offhand, too.
—N. Y. "Press."

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I have just received and carefully read the Holiday number of The Freeman and must truly say that it is the best all around issue of a colored journal that I have ever seen. The best, the cleanest, best paper, best selected matter the largest, the best illustrated—in fact the best in everything and everyway that makes the best. If you have not received it, send for it at once, carefully read it and carefully put it away for future use or reference.

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What progress shall have been made by the race before the begining of the year 1901? That's the question of the hour.

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The "Colored American" has changed its form, for the worse, I think. Return to your old form, Bro. Cooper and by-the-way, what became of that MSS I sent for your issue of Dec. 30?

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Af er sober reflection I have concluded to contine to write "for the good of the race" even if the race turns a deaf ear or a blind eye to the same. Duty is duty; my self appointed duty is to "point out the way for the progress of the race" as Uncle Noah Baxter would say, and trust God for the results. In view of this conclusion I will in the future keep the "Bluster" column alive with my views of the duties and short comings of the race. I will, as in the past "hew to the line, let the chips fall as they may."

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By-the-way! Did you send the old folks at home a Christmas box or money order, young man or young woman?

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I expect to be a delegate to the National Republican convention which meets in Philadelphia next June. I hope to meet enough colored delegates from the South to make things "come our way." I hope this is not a dream.

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How many of your New Year resolutions have you broken, up-to-date?

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What has become of Uncle Noah Baxter? What has become of several other members of The Freeman's "Round Table" members?

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What has become of several Negro newspapers and magazines(?) I used to review?

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I don't want to be personal, but, what has become of the two dollar bill a certain reader of The Freeman owes me?

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What has become of Lynk's Magazine? (?) What has become of the photograph I sent down South, as a loan for a cut? What has become of the sweetest girl on earth? (This is personal.)

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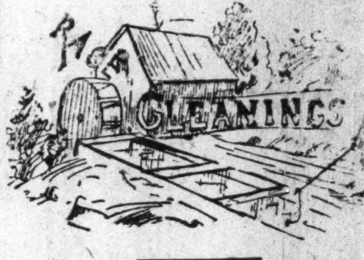
The Freeman is about to start a "children's column" under my supervision, or editorship. Let your child, or your children, under 14 send name and address to me at 82 Hull st. Brooklyn, N. Y. at once. B. SQUARE

Interesting Happenings.

Frankfort, Ind., Special.—Mrs. Martha Mitchell and son have returned to their home in Thorntown. * * Miss Laura Artist and father have returned to their home in Peru, Ind. * * Mr. Canda, of Kokomo, passed through this city Saturday from Danville, Ill., where he spent the holidays. * * The colored show, "Coontown 400," played to a packed house New Year's night. * * Rev. J. R. Harper is home sick with malaria fever. * * Mrs. Martha is recovering after a long illness. * * Only a few more days and The Freeman's thirty days offer for $1 will run out. * * Mrs. George Williams and Mary C. Hargrove have returned from a Christmas visit. * * Miss Marie Idle is on the sick list. * * The public schools took up Tuesday morning at 8:30. * * The A. M. E. Church held a watch meeting Sunday night. * * A program was rendered by the Sunday School. * * Church services every Sunday at 10:30; Sunday School at 23:0; J. D. Kersey, supt.; Christian Endeavor at 6:30. * * Teachers' meeting every Monday night. * * The A. M. E. Church gave their grand rally for January. One hundred dollars and ninety-two cents was raised by this rally. The same goes to help pay off the church debt. Rev. Johnson extends thanks to all. * * The new century (1900) has now begun. Let us begin with an old reliable paper, The Freeman. * * Miss E. Lewis, of Frankfort, spent Xmas in Indianapolis. * * The Busy Bee Club's committee on the Japanese booth, held their meeting at Mrs. Liney's home, instead of the society. The mistake was made by a misunderstanding of the reporter of this paper. * * Mr. Edward Harper has returned to his school at Crawfordsville. * * Mrs. Bert Cummings has returned to her home in Indianapolis. * * Mr. Charles Emory, of Michigantown, was in Frankfort Monday night to attend "Coontown 400." * * The opening of the White & Weida general store at Moran Monday was one of the most successful and pleasing commercial events yet given in that town. Watson & Sons furnished the music, assisted at night by the "Lonely Star" colored quartette of this city. * * The Bell Telephone Company now owns all 'phones in Frankfort. The citizens of Frankfort are having the 'phone taken out of their business houses and homes, as $2.50 and $1 a month is an enormous price for one 'phone. * * The hardware man is having good trade in the stove line now, as the gas is nearly exhausted, and many of its consumers are using wood in its place. * ½ Mr. Fred Johnson has gone to Indianapolis. * * "Tum Kirner" has once more returned to the Gem City to talk on the coming campaign. * * The public schools let out all day Thursday as the gas pressure was very low. * * On last Sunday night there was but few places of worship attended as the gas forbids. * * Subscribe for The Freeman. * * Miss Florence Balinger, of Kokomo, is in the Gem City, visiting Miss Jeanette Parker. * * Miss Jeanette Parker, at her home on 353 W. Walnut street, entertained a number of friends Thursday evening in honor of Miss Pearl Powell, of Lafayette, and Miss Balinger, of Kokomo. Refreshments consisting of pressed chicken, rolls, olives, coffee, ice cream, cake and chocolate. The favors were the Busy Bees Club colors—red, white and blue. * * Mr. Bert Cummings has returned to Indianapolis. * * Mr. Clyde Radcliff has returned from Indianapolis. * * It was only a false report concerning the Cummings and Harper wedding. * * Miss Blanch Clark has returned after a visit in the country. * * Miss Anna Powell entertained at her home, 358 E. Barnes street, a number of her friends Friday night in honor of Miss Pearl Powell. * * Mrs. Sadie Mitchell and brother, Jesse, have gone to Thorntown to visit their parents. * * Mrs. Robert Flamming is on the sick list. * * Miss Mary Idle has been on the sick list. * * The Busy Bees held a business meeting Tuesday night. * * Mr. Morris Roberts, of Rockville, Ind., passed through this scribe for The Freeman while you can take advantage of the cheap rate—$1 city Friday en route to see his sick father in Kokomo. * * Mrs. Mitchell was the guest of Mrs. H. B. Turner at Logansport New Year's. * * Mr. Harry Russell, of Bloomingdale, Ind., was in the Gem City Friday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lincy. * * Mrs. Bettie Weaver has returned to Indianapolis after spending a few days with her sick sister-in-law, Mrs. Weaver.

Personal Mention.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Services were held at both churches Sunday, with large atendance. The B. Y. P. U. of the Second Baptist Church is flourishing readily, with about 75 members. Rev. D. S. Slaughter preached a good sermon, after which Deacon J. Bolling and G. W. Strong spoke a few words in regard to the church. * * Miss Pearl Davis has been confined to her home a few days on account of sickness. * * Mrs. Wilkie Collins, of Lima, O., is visiting friends in the city. * * Mr. John Ellis and Mr. Jed Jones delightfully entertaineid a few friends Wednesday evening at the home of the former's mother, on S. Plum street. Games and music was the diversion of the evening. Light refreshments were served. The guests departed at a late hour, and all reported a good time. * * Mrs. Joseph Gillum and Mrs. Ed. Smith gave a dinner party to their relatives Sunday, Jan. 7, 1900. * * Mr. John Douglass is reported sick. * * Miss Stella Watkins is reported some better after a brief illness. * * Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Hopkins entertained the Geeser Club Monday evening, Jan. 1, 1900, at their cozy litle home in Whitely. An enjoyable time was had by all. Music was rendered by Miss Ethel Clark during the evening. Those present were: Miss Pearl Davis, Jennie White, Edna Douglass, Rhetta Ware, Bertha Davenport, Ethel Clark, Artie Curtis, Fannie White, Nettye Pierson, Adah Pierson, and Mr. Will Tyree, John Curtis, Jed Jones, Julius Ellis, Sterling Bowling, Grant Trazier and John Culpher. * * Mr. John and Ed Smith, of Winchester, are visiting friends in the city. * * Miss Grace Robinson is reported sick. * * Mrs. Liddie Frazier, of W. Main street, was called to Marion, Ind., to attend the funeral of her brother, Mr. Alias Shoecraft, who was killed on last Wednesday by the street cars. * * Mrs. John Espy, of E. Jackson street, is reported ill. * * Mrs. Marticcia White is reported some better. * * Mrs. Robinson, of S. Beacon street, is entertaining friends from Portland. * * Mrs. Matie Richardson is somewhat indisposed. * * Mr. John Curtis has returned from Marion.



St. Louis, Mo., has a daily paper.

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There are two colored physicians at St. Joseph, Mo.

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The Daily Recorder, published at Norfolk, Va., is now in its third year.

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Mr. L. E. Perry owns and operates a mattress factory at St. Joseph, Mo., employing members of his race exclusively.

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Lieut.-Gov. Caldwell appointed a young Afro-American from the orphan's home at Cincinnati, as a page in the Ohio legislature.

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The United States Commission to the Paris Exposition of 1900 has assigned space in the Social Economy building to be used for the exhibit of the present condition and progress of the Afro-American.

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The Coleman Cotton Mills, located at Concord, N. C., the first enterprise of the kind in the world ever started by colored people, in all probability, by this time is working in full blast. The capital stock is $50,000 and the concern is incorporated under the laws of the state of North Carolina.

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Adeline Woodin, a colored woman, seventy-four years old, of Jeffersonville, is cutting a full set of teeth. She has been toothless for years and a few days ago was surprised by a jaw tooth appearing. The woman makes a living by mending cement sacks and she says that the cement dust which she has inhaled is responsible for the new teeth.

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Omer Knox, a barber, of Muncie, Ind., is a candidate for sheriff of Deleware county, making about twenty candidates in the field for the nomination. This necessarily divides the vote. Knox believes that with the 650 colored voters behind him, together with about 300 votes of white men, which he says he can get, he will have a good, round plurality over any other one candidate. He is being encouraged by a number of white republicans, and some of his opponents are afraid of the outcome.

Newsy Items.

Cincinnati, O., Special.—The Christmas number of The Freeman was a "peach." * * Col. John Fielding left the city Thursday to visit his mother at Lancaster, O. * * The Queen City Literary League held its monthly meeting at the St. John's A. M. E. Zion Church, Wednesday, Jan. 10. Col. J. S. Fielding presided. * * Allen Temple will hold its morning service at the G. A. R. Hall on Sixth street. Evening services at the Douglas League Hall, on McAllister street, until further notice. * * Mr. James Bust has been appointed by the Grand Exalted Ruler, B. F. Howard, of the Elks, Grand Secretary of the order. The place was formerly held by Gen. Bowles, deceased. * * Mr. Walter A. Tedford and Miss Maggie C. Moore, of Knoxville, Tenn., were united in marriage at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rivers, 753 Cheateau avenue, Price Hill. Rev. J. E. Harper made the couple one. * * The Ruffin Republican Club attended the inaugural ceremonies at Columbus, O., this week. * * The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Manze, of 551 Laurel street, gave a reception in their honor last Tuesday night. * * Miss Lolo Johnson, of Washington, D. C., sang at the Mound Street Church Friday evening, Jan. 5th, for the benefit of Allen Temple. * * Miss Myrtle Toliver, of 518 Court street, is visiting friends in Nashville, Tenn. * * The Hartzell Literary Society held its election of officers at its regular meeting last Friday night, Jan. 5th, at which time the following officers were elected: Col. John S. Fielding, President; Rev. T. L. Wilson, Vice-President; John Wilson Secretary; Miss Emma Smothers, Assistant Secretary; Mrs. Wilson, Treasurer; Miss Susie Taylor, Journalist; Miss Aimee L. Hubard, Assistant Journalist; Mrs. E. Ewing, Librarian; Miss eNttie Taylor, Assistant Librarian; Mr. Harry Jordan, Critic. * * Mr. Ben Richardson, an old and highly respected citizen, died on Friday morning, 5th inst. The funeral took place Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the Zion Baptist Church, Rev. H. H. Harris officiating. * * Rev. H. H. Harris, of Zion Baptist Church, made a flying trip to Indianapolis on last Saturday. His pulpit was filled on Sunday by Rev. McAllen, of the Main Street Baptist Church, Covington, Ky., and at night by Rev. Porter, of St. Louis. * * Mrs. Ruth Crouch, of 417 W. Eighth street, is on the sick list. * * The Standing Committee of the Hartzell Literary Society is: Rev. Meyers, Miss Ida Miller, Miss Jennie Harris, Mr. William Jackson, Misses Nettie Taylor and Emma Smothers. Miss Jennie Lewis and Albert W. Hubbard acted as tellers in the election of officers.

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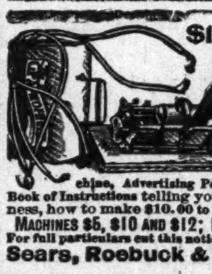
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Mt. Meigs, Ala., Oct., 1, 1899.

Rev. I. N. Fitzpatrick.
Dear Sir:—From the two pounds of African Limbless Cotton seeds that I bought of you last fall I have gathered a bale weighing 500 lbs. I only planted 20 rows an acre long. Would have made more to the acre, but it was injured by the storm and drought. I am certain that if the cotton is planted earlier, and with favorable seasons, that it will yield more to the acre than you said. Yours very respectfully, SHEPPARD MURDOCK.

Pike Road, Ala., Nov. 1, 1899.

Rev. Fitzpatrick.
Dear Sir:—I am delighted with your cotton and think that it will do more than you represented it to do. I bought one pound of seeds from you and made one bale of cotton weighing 400 pounds; and I have already sold $50 worth of seeds. Those who saw the cotton growing engaged the seeds before I picked the cotton. I can sell a ton of seeds if you can spare them. Write me. Yours &c, J. B. BLACKBURN.

We have scores of letters, such as the above, from parties we sold seeds to last fall, and would gladly give names and and post office addresses, but it would make this circular to large to be convenient.

CASH RATES FOR THE SEEDS.
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PETER FELIX AUSTRALIA'S "CRACK."

Peter Felix, the heavyweight champion of Australia, will visit this country in the near future to fight Jim Jeffries, Billy McClain, Felix's manager, in a recent letter to a local sport writes: "Felix is colored and a native of Santa Cruz, West Indies. He is 31 years old and a heavy puncher. Felix will arrive in San Franciso in company with myself during the month of February, and then he will be prepared to fight any of the American cracks, including Jeffries, Sharkey, Ruhlin, Fitzsimmors or Corbett."

"KLONDIKE IN NEW YORK.

Jim Henderson, otherwise known as "Klondike," a colored fighter from Chicago, has arrived in New York at the call of Jack Smith, the Boston manager, who has long been connected with "Spike" and Dave Sullivan. He is a well built young man of about twenty-two years, standing over five feet 10 inches and weighing about 180 pounds. On his behalf Smith asks the New York papers to state that he will make a match with Gus Ruhlin, Joe Choynski, Bob Armstrong or Ed Dunkhorst.

Manager James Sullivan of the new National A. C., of Waterbury, offered a $800 purse for Henderson and Jack McCormick, of Philadelphia, to fight twenty rounds at the second show of the club, which will probably take place on January 18. Smith is thinking it over.

THE TWO TAYLORS.

One of the match races most sought for the great French racing season during the Paris Exposition will be between Edouard Taylore, the one-hour world record holder, and Major Taylor, the colored wonder, whose mile in 1.19 is still being discussed. The two Taylors chose different ways to fame, but both chose the wheel. Both were made of about the same material, since the French Taylore once held that mile record himself. The American Taylor essayed to enter the middle distance racing field, and so well did he do that the championship was awarded him without a struggle would he but continue. He did not do so, but chose to stick to the sprinting distances.

French Taylore did not follow up the mile distances after so successfully annexing the one-mile figures, but went back to Europe and created a world-wide reputation in the middle distance ranks, defeating the pick of the European field again and again, including Tom Linton, the great Welshman, whom he defeated three times straight running. From the past records of the men it is therefore apparent that both have like ability, whether at the mile or at the hour, and when a race is arranged between the two for a distance favorable to both, twenty or twenty-five miles, Europeans believe that they will see the greatest contest of the times.

This race between the Taylors is sought as a grand opener to the international season in France.

GANS BARS BALTIMORE.

Baltimore, Jan. 3.—To the public joy of many eminently respectable people; but, alas! to the secret sorrow of others who consider themselves equally eminently respectable. be it known that Joe Gans, the famous light-weight pugilist of this city, will never again fight in this city. It must be so, for Gans says so himself, and he says it with a vehemence quite out of keeping with his ordinarily quite manner.

According to Gans' version of his determination never to fight in this city again there is another than a money reason.

Gans returned to this city yesterday from a fighting tour of the West, during which he defeated Steve Crosby, in Chicago, in six rounds; "Kid" Asne, in Cincinnati, in fifteen, and had a draw with "Kid" McPartland, in six rounds, in Chicago.

Joe Gans yesterday told the reasons for his determination not to fight here in the following way:—

"My last fight here was with Martin Judge, of Philadelphia, and I mean that it shall continue to be known as my last fight here. I had met Judge twice before, and I knew him to be one of the roughest and toughest men whom I have ever met, and, also, a man who was naturally too heavy for me. If I could win the fight I was to get $500; whereas for the same fight I could make $2000 in New York.

"To make the $500 I was taking a chance of getting knocked out, which might cost me something like $30,000 or $40,000. When I stepped into the ring that night I found Judge to be at least twenty pounds heavier than I am, which, you know, makes a big difference with light-weights. I would gladly have forfeited the chance to win the $500 had I been allowed to leave the ring in peace, but the house was crowded with men who had lost their time and paid their money to see the contest, and the only thing that induced me to fight Judge was the desire not to disappoint the people. There was a lot of 'chewing the rag' about it, but, although over weight, Judge looked in good condition.

"Well, we went on, and Judge began to rush and bore in from the start. Along about the fifth round he came at me like a runaway ice wagon, and he rushed me to the ropes, hammering away with right and left, while I had nothing to do but try to stall him off and dodge out of the way. It was a hot time for me, and in the midst of my troubles I heard what seemed to me to be everybody in the house yell: 'Kill the nigger.' That hurt me worse than Judge's mauling; and when I got out of the mess I then and there determined never to fight another battle in this city. Even if I could make as much, or more, money here than elsewhere, I would not run the risk of being hooted at, just because of my color."

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Chicago, Ill., Jan. 4, 1900.

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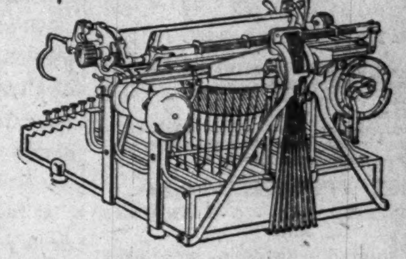

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1889-176;	1890-127;	1891-182;	1892-235
1893-200;	1894 190;	1895-171;	1896-131
1897-166:	1898-127;	1899-107;	1900- ?

It will be observed that the evil reached its high water mark in 1892 when 235 were lynched. The decline from that time until the present year has been fairly gradual. A slight increase is noticeable in 1897 when 166 persons were victims of mobs.

Considering the statistics of the Courant as accurate, the optimists have great reason of their faith. It certainly augurs good for the future, in that there is a perceptible decline in lynchings. This decline must be attributed as much to the influential Northern dailies, also many Southern ones, as to the efforts on part of the Negroes themselves. The creation of public sentiment against the pernicious practice, the result of those agencies, has proven, a means of bringing about results that more radical means may not have secured.

It is a matter of congratulation that the evil is dying out from the weight of public opinion which is decidedly against it. It is a mistaken notion that the whole country is indifferent to the savage outbursts that appear a cancerous growth on the body politic of the country. There are but very few men who are mobbists by instinct, either white or black.

The fact is simply this; that the log cabin and the big house idea is yet vivid in the minds of those who dwelt in the white houses. It will take years of earnest endeavor on the part of either race to disassociate these incidents of by gone days. What has followed the slavery period is but the natural result of the breaking up of the period. It is evolution. Evolution does not move by fits and starts, but runs its cycle as a malignant disease and ends only when it ends. Balms may be administered, must be administered to prevent total annihilation, but they simply serve to assuage that the end may be well but they can not eradicate.

Time the great dispenser of all good gifts to mankind claims the right of way, and to it must be pinned our hopes of delivery. To implore governmental intervention for relief is a privilege, but a privilege merely. It is a privilege that is sometimes attended with sacrifices. The sovereignty of the state is talismanic to the citizens of the state and it will be but a poor state that does not in some way defend the actions of the state no matter how far reaching and damaging these actions are. The inactivity of the government in the matter of the late disfranchising acts in the Southern states is conclusive that the government has reckoned the cost; for, we must not suppose the government is sitting supinely by allowing depredations to be committed on a part of its citizens by a part of its citizens, if it could, by the turn of the hand, bring about the needed reforms.

All of the recent presidents have expressed a desire that the races should dwell to-gether in peace. It may mean but little to those who suffer the arrows of outrageous fortune; these "meaningless," platitudes; but it is the very best that the age will permit. No government wills its own destruction; it carries out those programs, policies and expediences that contribute to governmental longevity.

However there is no defense of the iniquitous practice that has gained the country unenviable notoriety abroad and created distrust and hatred in the hearts of those at home. The law's delay, so often urged in defense of the atrocious acts is but a lame excuse. In our highly civilized communities apprehension equals conviction in event there is the evidence of guilt. The laws are defeated of their ends, which are to protect the weak, when the communities become a law unto themselves; there being no appeal but from Cæsar drunk, to Cæsar drunk. In the name of the innocent ones who are struck down by an avalanche of opposition who have their side of the story crowded down their throats, in the name of the laws which are instituted as bulwarks of defense for the maltreated and maligned, in the name of the country that has begun to belt the earth with its territories, its multitribed islands, let us have peace at home. Let the year 1900 witness less lynchings than previous years. May the mellowing influences of time and right endeavor, soften the racial asperities so that we may be able to greet the dawn of the twentieth century with a joy like unto that which cometh in the morning.

Dr. C. W. Newton, of the A. M. E. Church in his sermon on last Sunday morning said, that although Jesus told Simon that he was right when he said that those for whom most was forgiven loved most, yet he did not feel that the world adopted it as a moral principle. Yet, he felt that if Jesus said so it must be right.

The quality of gratitude in man has been a fruitful theme for discussion since the world began. Adam and eve might be accused of being ungrateful.

It does appear at first blush that the exceptions to the rule are greater than the rule and that man is constitutionally ungrateful. But it appears when getting a better focus that naturalness of reciprocity is so deeply embedded in the principles of right action, that when the exception appears it is so unnatural, so abnormal, that it assumes proportions that are imaginatory.

The woman in this case, a lewd woman, did much for her Savior, because He forgave so much that was base in her. She knew from what depths of human depravity she had ascended. She followed Him; no Lucretia Borgia, to assassinate His character, by feinging love, impure love nor to pipe on his supposed passions, or in failing, like Sampson, bring down destruction on others who had been innocently inveigled into the fray that punishment might be misdirected. This converted women was quite incapable of doing these things. Can some who do not pose as lewd, say as much?

The speech of Senator Beveridge will be considered as the best exposition of the expansion idea possible. His trip to the Philippines, his presence on the "firing line," and his intimate association with the president makes his utterances ex-cathedra. Beyond all of this he is blessed with a silver tongue, grace and wit. The career of our junior senator certainly has a very rosy back ground. He must forever, henceforth browse on tall grass, or like an eagle keep on high. He has shown the ability, now for the tenacity.

"No man or body of men can impose upon the Negroes of St. Louis while the Palladium exists," fly from the mast of that publication. These be brave words, my brother. "What you goin' to do when de black man comes?" The Palladium should exist a long while in the interest of the St. Louis folks—Vive la Palladium.

WAR OR MURDER?

Is it war or is it murder,
That we perpetrate to-day?
Is it passion, greed and vengeance
Or God's voice that we obey?
If it were one individual
And a man should kill his foe,
Loudly would we call it murder
And but little mercy show.

Why should we then call it righteous,
When the soldiers kill their foes,
And they count them by the thousands?
Tell me, anyone who knows.
For to my poor mind it seems
Like highway robbery and greed,
Where men kill their foes to rob them,
Of the country that they need.

More for greed than love it seemeth,
And it does not seem to me,
Anything but wholesale murder,
Which can never righteous be:
For our souls should be above it,
Living in the spiritual sphere,
Where the Father's love should guide us
In our actions e'er appear.

—MARTHA SHEPARD LIPPINCOTT,
Moorestown, N. J.

THE BISHOPS.

The struggle for the bishopricsy in the A. M. E. Church is attracting wide-spread attention. Every portion of the country has its slate of favorites and the people are supporting them, regardless of church affiliations. The secular papers are discussing bishopric possibilities.

Dr. Moore, the business man of the church it is said will be selected on the first ballot. This is considered a tribute of great respect; yet the church could scarcely do otherwise, if promotions are to be based upon actual worth and conduct. Dr. Moore is scholarly, a gentleman of fine attainments and an ideal pulpit orator. The very position he occupies in the church makes him a logical candidate. Therefore his election is a foregone conclusion.

It seems that Drs. Moore, T. W. Henderson, Chaffee and Tyree are among those that are likely to be chosen. Tyree is of Tennessee where they seem to be extremely clannish. They almost to a man responded to the attacks on him and with most excellent effect. Friends of his sprang up from the earth "as it were," and it is safe to say his candidacy has been promoted.

However, that does not make Tyrse, bishop. The struggle for the bishopricsy is still going on. In fact it is waxing warmer. The newspapers generally are chipping in all which tends to make Columbus, O., in May, memorable to the A. M. E. church.

It may be assumed that never before has there been such widespread interest manifested. Dr. Smith, of the Sabbath school department is ambitions and he hails from Tyree's home. It is hardly possible that both will be bishops hence it may be a case of compromising wherein neither gains their object. It is hinted from Tennessee, that, what Dr. Smith has, will pass into other hands. But those who know him are satisfied that if he should desire to be returned as the head of the Sabbath School Department it will come near turning out that way.

Dr. J. M. Henderson, of New York has bade good bye to his short lived ambition as a candidate for the Editorship of the Christian Recorder. He says he didn't seek it "no how" and really knew nothing of it untill a certain bishop insisted that he was several times before the public. He insists that he was deceived by many, who wrote to him asking him not to give publicity to church events through The Freeman since that paper went everywhere and exerted more influence than church organs. They promised him their support on that ground. But when the delegates were made Henderson found that he had been "tricked" as he expressed it. The doctor vows he will never again purchase peace on such miserable terms, and from all indications he will be found turning up things until May. Henderson may not become anything more than a preacher in the church, yet he is feared above all, and respected for his good qualities. But he is not universally loved because he knows a hawk from a handsaw, and says so.

There are two sides to every story. Let the policemen and firemen talk. They may have "a tale to unfold," etc. Many a man has borne "the whips and scorns of time, the oppressor's wrong, the proud man's contumely, * * * the insolence of office," when to murmur meant swift destruction. A great moral point is gained when they can be heard although their stories may serve them to no purpose. "Let us have light."

In the miners convention that met in this city this week, there were ten or twelve delegates, chiefly from the South. Alabama is well represented. Colored men are largely engaged in mining in that state. It is one of the industries in which the race is fairly recognized. This applies to the South more so than the North. In Illinois there are miners' unions that have Negro members, but they do not seem to fraternize any too well as the accounts of their late troubles show. It is an encouraging sight to see these colored men here, fully recognized as delegates.

THE NEGRO PRESS.

Good men are exceedingly difficult to down, and it is a still more difficult job to keep them down.—The Colored American, Washington, D. C.

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In turning over a new leaf for 1900 we hope to hear of some of our colored men turning from the street corners to the farm.—The Parsons Blade (Kan.)

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Let us determine this year to accumulate more property, to live at peace with all mankind and to do the right under all circumstances.—The Raleigh Blade, Raleigh, N. C.

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The prayer is universal for the speedy and permanent recovery of the greatest and most active Negro of America, the venerable bishop H. M. Turner.—The Item, Dallas, Texas.

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Some people will stumble blindly over mountains of good erected by their fellows, but fail not to recognize an atom of evil,—even if they must imagine its presence.—Arkansas Appreciator.

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Senator Morgan, of Alabama, in one of his red-hot speeches in the senate, the other day, declares against the Negroes' right of franchise. Fortunately, however, Mr. Morgan is not the only pebble on the beach.—The Rising Son, Kansas City, Mo.

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Will the avenues of industry open up for the American Negro Boys in 1900 will the white man lay aside his prejudice and let the deserving young Negro walk in the shop of employment and enjoy some of the good things of this life.—Exchange.

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We especially urge the young men of the race to learn a trade because industrial education is the foundation on which society rests. The industrial traing is of great importance for it not only secures the means of subsistance but it effectually takes away inducements to idleness and vice.—The Lexington, Ky., Standard.

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The "jim crow" crow" car rule seems to be taking on new life. It has now come to a pass in some of the states that a Negro cannot ride in a sleeping car. What will our cultured and refined ladies and gentlemen in the South do? There is nothing to do except to quit riding or else save money and keep your "grip" ready packed, and when patience ceases to be a virtue, speedily look for other quarters.—The Advance, St. Paul, Minn.

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Profs. W. H. Huffman and S. O. Johnson, of Indianapolis and, Louisville, respectively, after a pleasant stay of three or four days at Tuskegee, returned to their duties on the 31st ult.

Prof. Johnson is a native of Alabama, but is now teaching in Louisville. Prof. Huffman is a "buckeye" by nativity and was acquainted with several of our teachers. Rumor has it that his visit had a deeper significance than the mere seeing and acquiring a knowledge of Tuskegee, as interesting and as valuable as that may be They were recipients of marked attentions while here and several special entertainments were given in their honor. We hope their visit was a pleasant one, and assure them that it was quite a pleasure to receive them.—The Tuskegee Institute.

Notes of Interest.

Macon, Miss., Special.—It is important for the general public to know our people are observing Jan. 1st as the recognized date of our annual celebration of the emancipation of our race. Indeed, it was a gala day in Macon. Our people never evinced such willingness to unite in the participation of the program prepared for this occasion by the citizens' committee. In fact a better program of such general excellence has never been executed at any of our previous celebrations. Promptly at 8 o'clock the spacious auditorium of the Second Baptist Church was closely packed with the elite of the town. Prof. L. L. Iry, principal of the city schools, presided with becoming dignity as master of ceremonies, while Mrs. Ophelia Lewis deserves much praise for her artistic execution of most difficult music.

A Journalistic Triumph.

The Christmas number of the Indianapolis Freeman is a journalistic triumph, and stamps its enterprising personel from the editor, down to the "devil," capability perfected.—The Cincinnati Rostrum.

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH

Members Place Upon Their Tables Over $1600 Which Largely Decreases the Debt of this Congregation.

About three months ago Dr. C. W. Newton took charge of Bethel A. M. E. church. He found that congregation, like other one, struggling under a great weight of debt, and owing to the recent erection of one of the handsomest church houses in the connection, the obligations of the congregation were unusually burdensome, and pressing.

It was a matter of inquiry as to the manner of man the new pastor was. Three months have at least shown, that he is the greatest financial general that has appeared on the scene. His well trained eye, his ripe experience, made it possible for him to take in the situation at once. "What was done, what to do, a glance told him both."

He at once divided his church into clubs, placing at the head of each of them capable and popular persons that meant friends and dollars to the church. His personality alone was worth hundreds of dollars to the cause. He considered all mankind his brothers. He went out of his way to prove that he was no better than Jesus, who visited the lonely places in order to put to proof his great love for dwellers. They loved him for the great things he did for them and while those have not wiped his feet with their hair, yet they have given of their possessions freely which is the greatest measurement of love in these days.

He asked that the clubs raise $1000 by the 14th day of January, 1900. He threw his soul into the work, his spirit became infectious, and in a short while there was such wide spread enthusiasm as rarely falls to one to witness. He was a great giver himself, but he took to himself the divine injunction; "cast thy bread upon the waters. Many a poorer congregation can testify as to whether he complied to the letter. On the 14th day of January, a most beautiful day, Dr. Newton stood three times before as brilliant audiences of colored people as are to be found on the American soil. The glow of enthusiasm which lighted up the countenance up the pulpit pervaded the pew the pastor and congregation were as one man.

The music, the singing, the short sermons all were inspiring. The leaders of clubs moved with noiseless tread marshalling their forces. They carried out their work with a grim determination as though they were under compulsion of a higher sort it was.

When these leaders laid down more than $1500 on the tables instead of $1000 the demonstration left a profound impression. The over worked pastor give vent to his feelings, the ladies waved their handkerchief—it beggared description. It is no disparagement to the late Rev. Clay, who cleared the old church of its incumbrances and Dr. T. W. Hendereon, who built the magnificent new church, to say, that on Sabbath day, January 14, 1900, Bethel church saw its greatest day.

THESE DID THE WORK.

East End Circle $177.50 Dora Payne captian.

West End Circle $188.31 Mrs. Dr. Elbert captian.

Independent Club $60.00 Wm. T. Floyd captian.

Ursher Club $92.12 H. L. Sanders captian.

Dewey Club $35.00 Willis Kersey captian.

Club No. 6, $18.25 Lucinda Edward captian.

Y. P. A's, $108.56 Roxie Bell captian.

Lend a Hand Club $108.60 Bell Craighead captian.

Get Away Club $240.00 Sophia Flemming captian.

Take the Cake Club $260.00 Chas. Lanier captian.

Busy Bees $38.62 Florence Edwards captian.

Equitable Club $75.00 Gabriel Jones captian.

Boquet Club $75.00 Mamie Adams captian.

D. A. T. W. Club $31.52 Edward Sanders captian.

Amount raised to date, including other monies not mentioned here is over $1600.

The Freeman, published in the interest of the colored people of the city, has issued its annual supplement descriptive of the colored people in the theatrical profession. Indianapolis is the home of more colored stagefolk than any other city in the country, it is said, but The Freeman's supplement is devoted to the corlored people "in the business" generally. The pictures are well-executed half-tones, and the sketches are of real interest. The Freeman's annual supplement seems to be appreciated, for Williams & Walker, "the two real coons," whose fame is great, have a full-page, on which they extend New Year's greetings in the form of an advertisement.—The Indianapolis Press.

Local Happenings.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.—Mrs. H. Burton was called to Grand Rapids Wednesday on account of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. H. B. Grant. * * Miss Ida Manning has returned from Chicago. * * Miss Mabel Hill is visiting in Niles and South Bend. * * Miss Edith Hill won the prize, a quilt, at the Ladies' Aid Society bazaar New Year's evening. * * Will Hammonds is able to resume his position at Dr. Bosman's after a short illness of rheumatism. * * The public installation of F. and A. M. and Zorah Chapter, No. 3, took place Wednesday evening, Dec. 27th, at their hall on E. Main street. * * Christmas was observed at the A. M. E. Church by a very appropriate program by the young people in connection with the Christmas tree. The program was in charge of the superintendent, Mrs. L. Hedgebeth, and assitant superintendent, Mr. George Stafford. The Christmas exercises at the Second Baptist Church were very appropriate in connection with their Christmas tree. The program was in charge of Mrs. Albert White. * * A number of Kalamazoo people attended the grand ball and cake walk at Battle Creek Christmas night. * * Thomas Maxwell, an old and respected citizen of this city, died at his home, 430 W. Dutton street, Wednesday, Dec. 27, of apoplexy, at the age of 72 years. He leaves a wife, one daughter, Miss Jessica, a brother and two sisters, Mrs. Anna Moss, of this city, and Mrs. Schrigs, of Chicago. The funeral was Sunday, Dec. 31, from the residence. Burial at Riverside. Rev. K. Warren officiated.

WORDS OF PRAISE.

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Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 3, 1900.

Allow me to congratulate you on getting out such an excellent number as the Holiday number appeared. I hear nothing but the highest praise concerning it from all classes of people. Very truly yours, ISAAC HUMPHREY.

The Holiday Number a Gem.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 5, 1900.

Hon. Geo. L. Knox.—Dear Sir. The holiday edition of your paper is a gem. The finest of any colored paper I ever saw. You deserve the support of the race for your superlative efforts. Wishing you much success. C. H. BROOKS.

Eclipsed All Other Competitors.

Hannibal, Mo., Jan. 7, 1900.

Mr. G. L. Knox, Dear Sir—Again I am forced to compliment you on your splendid Holiday number, which eclipsed all other competitors. The Freeman is certainly a marvel in the advancement of the colored race. Sincerely,
GEO. WRIGHT.

The Expressions of a Critic.

Monmouth, Ill., Jan. 8, 1900.

Mr. Elwood C. Knox, Dear Sir—I have just carefully perused the Holiday edition of The Freeman, and must say that it is a gem, both from a literary and mechanical standpoint, and that it eclipses all former Holiday numbers. Respectfully, A. MYRTLE WALLACE, 321 N. D street.

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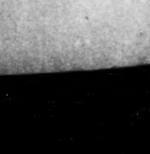

Mention this paper when you write.

THE STAGE.

—EDITED BY—

J. HARRY JACKSON.

Arthur L. Prince sends regards to Harry Prampin.

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S. H. Dudley sends regards to A. P. Harris, Dick Thomas and P. G. Lowery.

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E. O. Green says—"Hello there! Geo. Bryant. How about you? I seen it first."

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J. Ed Green closed with the Big Minstrel Festival at Dallas, Tex., Monday 15th.

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Miss Mattie McLemore is making hit the of her life, singing: "The Cat Got It Aunt Hannah."

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Jack M. Oliver sends regards to the Smalls, Tutts, Watts and Smith, and Johnson and Dean.

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S. E. Townsend would like to hear from A. H. Montgomery and Jos. Lee, of New York City.

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"Regards to Will Goff Kennedy and ali members of the Georgia Up-to-Date Minstrels"—Chas. A. Hunter.

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Mr. Johnson has closed with Stowe's Unclo Tom's Cabin company at Mattoon Ill., and returned to Chicago.

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Harvey Holmes, basso, with Georgia Up-to-Date, is singing "Deep Down Deep" to three and four encores nightly.

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J. J. Smith, the ambitious young cornetist, with Lowery & Green's show is still a pupil of P. G. Lowery. He promises to be an artist.

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George Temple, comedian, formerly of the team of Tolliver & Temple, is making good through Indiana, with the Acme Remedy Co.

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Wm. S. Levard, the "Black Millionare," is playing dates through New York state, with great success. He sends regards to all friends.

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J. E. Adams, of Lowery's combined shows, sends regards to John Eason, Chas. Parker and John Jackson, also to the Musicians Union, of St. Louis.

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Mrs. Laura Gillam, wife of Harry L. Gillam, has fully recovered from her recent illness and sends regards to the profession. Wells, Minn., will catch them.

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Wm. Shearer, bass soloist and chorus director, is scoring a big hit nightly singing "In the Bottom of the Deep Blue Sea" with Lowery & Green's Combined Shows.

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Ollie B. Rivers has closed with Stowe's Uncle Tom's Cabin company, and returned to Chicago. He sends regards to C. Clifford Lewis, Major Daniels and Paul Floyd.

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Prof. Chas. Black, musical director and violinist, is featuring William Tell with his 19th Century orchestra with Lowery & Green's Minstrels. He sends regards to Prof. Lee.

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Maud Frisby (Mrs. Billy Yeager) joined the "Coontown 400" at Winnepeg, Man., as leading soubrette, and made an instantaneous hit in her specialty and character dances.

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Al C. Shelton writes: "I am making quite a hit with Stowe's Uncle Tom's Cabin company. My best regards to all friends and Buffaloes. He would like to hear from Miss Ella Dorsey and Sonny Hoskins.

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"Skip" Farrell and Miss Edna King have been re-engaged with P. G. Lowery's Vaudeville Show, with the Forepaugh-Sells Combined Shows, which opens early in April at Madison Square Garden, New York City.

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"The Casket in the Clay" is the title of a very pathetic song and chorus, written by Mr. C. C. Powell, 20 Francis street, Ft. Wayne, Ind. Mr. Powell is also the author of "The Big Black Colored Ball" and "Kissed Uncle With Great Respect."

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Mrs. Harry Prampin, the one and only colored lady trap-drummer in the profession, is now handling a complete line of traps with Prof. Dan Desdunes, peerless orchestra. She promises to make it hard for all the calf-head beaters.

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P. G. Lowery writes: "It is a pleasure for me to note the success of my concert band this season. The boys are hard workers and promise to do credit themselves as well as myself. I am doing better work on my cornet this winter than ever before. My power is wonderful, tone is much improved. I am featuring Brown's Autograph this season. Soloists, you know the rest. My best regards to George Bailey, Joe Pleasant and James White and professionals.

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Tommy Carter, the clever little vocalist and comedian, is still with the Bowery Burlesquers. Mr. Carter has joined hands with Farrell & Taylor, and they will be known hereafter as the Farrell-Taylor Trio, in an original musical act. Mr. Carter was a pleasant caller at The Freeman office Monday.

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Renix Bros.' Carolinians continue to crowd them to the doors. They are ably assisted by Miss Estella Cannon, who has an agreeable presence and a voice that is fresh and pleasing in quality. In addition to Miss Cannon the features of the program are the numbers rendered by the Renix Bros'. Concert Mandolin Club, and the comedy of A. L. Renix which is decidedly quaint and amusing.

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Jack M. Oliver, stage manager and vocal director with Georgia Up-to-Date Minstrels, writes: "The show is in a healthy condition and doing the biggest business in its history. W. Harvey Oliver has left for home on accouni of illness, and the old reliable Buddie Robinson took his place. We had our first sleighing yesterday and after parade Manager James treated the company to a ride."

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A. T. Gillam and Tina Mazelle, the clever young performers are gaining public compliments everywhere. Although they are both under age their clever work has placed them in the front rank. He sends special regards to Skip Farrell, Julius Glenn, James White and Ralph Devine. They are both re-engaged with the Great Forepaugh-Sells Bros' Shows. Mr. Gillam is stage manager of Lowery's Vaudeville Show with the Forepaugh-Sells Bros.' shows for the season of 1900.

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Frank Clermont, bandmaster, who closed with the Melroy-Chandler Minstrels in Oklahoma, has just dedicated a very swell schottische to The Freeman and its dramatic editor. He is now at home busy writing a reportotre of characteristic music for several comedians and bandmasters. He is the senior partner of the firm of Clermont & Tucker, arrangers and composers; both having a wide reputation. They have just finished a characteristic coon song with rag-time touches, entitled: "Dat Gal Got to Give Me Back My Home." Mr. Clermont sends regards to Lacy, Lowery, Prampin, Thomas, Desdunes, Bailey and Nicolas.

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"Skip" Farrell, the premier of colored trap-drummers, was a Freeman caller Friday of last week; he was accompanied by his accomplished wife, Edna King, Miss Lizzie Harris and Miss Daisy Sanders. They are with Stetson's Uncle Tom's Cabin company which laid off here for about three hours, thereby giving the members of the company a chance to visit some of the many places of interest. Mr. Farrell reports that the show is playing to an enormous business. The show is now working its way East. The following well-known colored people are with the company: Misses Edna King, Lizzie Harris, Daisy Sanders, Benzene Davis, Maggie Mitchell, Bertha Tate, "Skip" Farrell, Gus Collins, Ferd Ringold, and Frank Graham.

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R. H. Barnett sends the following from Ogdensburg, N. Y.—"Allow me to congratulate your force on being qualified in every respect to get up the best holiday paper that I have ever seen. Enclosed you will find the required amount for my subscription for one year. I am now located at Ogdensburg, N. Y., where I have signed a contract at the Welch Casino, as stage manager and musical director. W. E. Welch is manager and proprietor, and Mrs. Mary E. Welch, secretary and treasurer. Performers coming this way should address W. E. Welch for open dates. They also run a park at the summer resort called Thousand Islands, and performers are carried up to the park free on Mr. Welch's beautiful excursion boat "Ella May." Regards to friends."

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Notes from the Original Nashville Students and Gideon's Big Minstrel Carnival.—"We are still in the sunny Southland and have little or no use for our overcoats. We are in the close wake of the Rusco & Holland's No. 1 show. To follow the above named company and 'get by,' you must be there! there!! there!!! Mr. George Titchner, the old-time clog and jig king, is the latest addition to the company. He comes in the capacity of stage manager. It is useless to say he is all one can expect, being one of the oldest and most widely experience men in Afro-American theatrical world. Kirk is fast gaining public favor by his clever interpretations of the owl man. All members of this company are well at present writing and send regards to Nos. 1 and 2 companies of the Tri-Minstrel Enterprise. Wishing all of our professional and non-professional brethren a prosperous New Year."

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Notes from the Famous Black Patti Troubadours—"On the evening of Jan. 5, Madam Patti (Sisseretta Jones) was tendered a surprise party and reception at Sacramento on the occasion of her thirty-first birthday, after playing to a packed house where she was the recipient of a handsome floral lyre; upon arriving at the car, she found it all decorated. After being serenaded in her state-room, she was invited to partake of a sumptuous repast provided by the Troubadours Social Club, afterwhich the time was spent by indulging in champagne, lunch, ice-cream, cake, fruit, etc., interspersed with vocal and instrumental music, speeches and stories which was kept up until the wee small hours of the morning. The Madam in a speech pronounced it the most enjoyable birthday she had ever spent. The committee was composed of: Anthony D. Byrd, president; Leslie Tripplett, secretary; Al. Watts treasurer; C. H. Francis, James Wilson, William H. Stewart, W. Lastor, Kid Frazier—Entertainment committee. Kid Frazier acted as head-waiter and certainly got his."

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J. Ed Green, of the Big Minstrel Festival writes: "Our sojourn through the land of sugar cane (Louisiana) has been completed; our last stand being Shreveport—the house being filled to its capacity. We are back again in Texas, and Alf Stokes invites all participants of heavy stimulants to travel nightly with him, as "doings" will be plentiful. Marsh Craig is again on hand, having rejoined at Houma, La., and is working better than ever. Christian and Brown have bought out the railroad line between Waco, Tex., and all way stations, and report big business. C. P. Jones—Piccolo—is suffering with acute rheumatic pains. Mrs. John Rucker took a run over to see her husband at Patterson, and brought a basket full of goodies. We are now enroute to Denver where we expect to eclipse all former efforts. The show pleases to the fullest extent. Our new first-part setting contains one hundred incandescent lights of different colors with a view of one of California's most famous fruit gardens. Nothing finer has ever been attempted by a minstrel manager. The advance agent of the Oliver Scott Minstrels was an observer at Marshall, Tex. Boys send regards to all.

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Clarence E. Henderson of the Oliver P. Scott's Minstrels, writes.—"We are now winding up our tour of the state of Texas, and though business has been extremely good the boys are glad we are turning our way Eastward. Nevertheless we hit Texas in its rainy season, Mr. Scott is well pleased with the box-office receipts and next season will be his crowning season of his success. Its the cry of every manager, 'we want a return date as your show is the best that ever hit the town.' Providence has been with Scott's minstrels as there has not been a sick person on the car this season. Master Blain Blay, the boy tenor, joined the show at Houston and has proven himself a sweet singer and is meeting nice receptions singing the 'Girl I Loved in Sunny Tennessee.' Mr. Will Tivis joined us in San Antonio and is strengthening to the chorus. Mr. John W. Campbell, our cornet player, has proven himself a master of the cornet; his work in orchestra is fine. While in Houston Buddie Glenn gave the boys quite a nice time. Quite a hand-shaking was had when Mr. William Sims of the Georgia Minstrels met us in Palistine, Tex., and all his old friends were glad to see him. Clarence Henderson sends regards to Harry Fidler and J. E. Sherman. Charles Parker and John Eason sends regards to all St. Louis friends."

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Notes from A. G. Allen's New Orleans Minstrels—"Business continues good. The Williams spent the afternoon of Wednesday at the residence of Mr. W. Macklin and family. Mr. Macklin, tumbler and song and dance artist, has just returned from Hot Springs, where he closed sometime ago with Mellroy & Chandler company. The family made things pleasant for the Williams; the dinner spread was something grand. I forgot to state that on Christmas Eve, our female impersonator, Augustus Stevens kept his stocking hanging up for two or three days and nights but it seemed that Santa Claus was broke and out of presents when he reached his stocking. We are now playing a return engagement in New Orleans, La. There was a grand party and ball given last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Douvadoegna for the benefit of the New Orleans Minstrels and everybody had a good time. Mr. Frank Eastry, Eb-tuba player and Mr. Joseph Bryant, Bb-clarionet player joined us in New Orleans, La. Mr. J. T. Cox sends best wishes to John Toliver; Charles H. Williams sends regards to Williams and Walker and John Rucker.

Surpasses All Previous Efforts.

Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 3, '1900.

Hon. Geo. L. Knox, Dear Sir—I am in receipt of the Holiday edition of The Freeman. Beyond any question it surpasses any effort ever attempted by any Afro-American journalist or publisher. In many respects it equals if not surpasses our great metropolitan dailies. Wishing your paper continued success, which it merits, I am yours for the race, JOE M. TRIGG,
Member Board of Aldermen.

A few copies of our Holiday is still on hand. Single copies by mail 5c.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and, therefore, requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address,

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Adresses of Colored Ladies and Gentlemen who wish to correspond for pleasure or with a view to getting married, addresses 10c, 3 for 25c. Send money or stamps. Box 121, Liberty Center, Ohio.

LOST RELATIVES.

I would like to know the whereabouts of Ben D. Woods, my husband, when last heard from, about twelve years ago, was in Kentucky; and my two sons—Ben Gaines Woods and William Woods. Ben Gaines, when last heard from was at Colorado Springs, Col. William was running on the river from Evansville to New Orleans. Any information concerning the above named persons, dead or alive, will be thankfully recieved by MRS. LOUISE JANE JONES, 125 Mill street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Seein' is beleivin'——
If you lead others will follow.

MARSH CRAIG,

EXPERT EQUILIBRIST—featured with the Rusco & Holland-Richards & Pringle's Big Minstrel Festival. Season 1899-1900.

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......AND......
Mable G. Johnson

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55 People---3 Bands---Special Trains.
The Largest Minstrel Show in the World.

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To Our Friends and Patrons:
Please read and try and realize what we are offering our patrons for the Season of 1899-1900 with——
Mahara's Big Carnival Minstrels
50 Best Looking, Neatest Dressed and Most Deportly Singing Colored People.
Richly Costumed 18-Piece Military Band and Orchestra.
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Permanent address: 160 Clark street, CHICAGO.

JOHN RUCKER,
The Original "Alabama Blossom
☞Not the Best Comedian on Earth, but with the Best Minstrel Company traveling, and making good.
Enroute—Richards, Pringle, Rusco & Holland's Big Minstrel Festival.

3rd Annual Tour of.........
The Leading Colored Theatrical Organization of the World...
HEADED BY
BOB COLE AND BILLY JOHNSON
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MR. SAMUEL LUCAS
PRESENTING
A TRIP TO COONTOWN
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MAJOR'S MELANGE.

The Freeman Round Table of (naughty-naught) 1900 will have as spright a set of quill pushers as ever came down the journalistic pike. (Not meaning myself.

B. Square or Sir Augustus M. Hodges and Sir Ed. Elmore Brock, Dr. John M. Henderson, Dr. Ransom, Rev. J. A. Jones, Prof. J. C. McAdams, Prof. W. S. Scarborough, Hon. D. A. Straker, Rt. Rev. Henry McNeil Turner, Rt. Rev. Waters, Hon. Jno. C. Dancy, Profs. W. H. Council, W. E. Dubois and Booker T. Washington and a few others have necessitated some enlargement of the Round Table and hereafter there will be more room for the class. What say you?

This is 1900, just seven years since Bishop Turner bought a copy of "Noted Negro Women" from the writer. His negligence to pay for the book reminds us of the compound interest on the $3.00 the book was sold to him for. If he wants the interest to grow, that a chair in some of his churches' institutions may be endowed, he ought to say so. If I was one of his preachers and neglected to raise the church claims, the good bishop would fix me for contempt, but if he will just send the $3.00 before he makes another African emigration speech, we will cancel the interest and besides send him a marked copy of his church's discipline where it compels its members to pay their debts.

A white man sued the Western Union Telegraph Co., in New Orleans because a dispatch was sent to his address marked "Col." after his name signifying colored instead of colonel. This is one of a large list of our very peculiar fools. Darkness is ever welcome for its the time this class of white men allure colored girls with long purse strings. Yet they hate a dark skin worse than the devil hates Holy water, in the daytime.

The Holiday number of The Freeman was one of those milestones of Negro progress that acts like an earthquake. It shakes the journalistic fabric of the country until it sneezes and it knocks the elements of doubt out of its caucasian readers until they begin to feel, to believe and to know that it pays to educate the Negro. No other newspaper of any kind can adduce greater progress of any people than the Holiday number of The Freeman,

The many kind letters from friends from every part of the country attest the growth of friendship at long range. We are truly glad to be encouraged in our un-literary manner of saying scattering things, paramount possibly to the interest of no one in particular, but certainly good in a way, that is, it is hoped so. As long as the fool-killer neglects his job the writer will claim a fair footing on Gods green earth, besides free fishing in the sea; meanwhile pushing a weak pen in behalf of a struggling weak people.

If I had such powers that I could sway vast multitudes and my counsel would take deep root in every ones heart I'd plant only these words for seed. "cleanliness" "don't talk," "pay debts" and after the one refreshing showers of spring and summer begins to burst open the blossoms to fruitage what a revelation wauld unfold itself to the people. The fiilth would be gone, the liar would be dead and all of us would have money, a very good friend indeed.

Don't name the baby, Dewey, Sampson and other big names after big white men who hold big offices. Name the baby after such men as Bowen, Fortune Knox, Douglass, Moses, Booker T. Washington, Council, Turner, Dunbar, Major Taylor, Hodges, Brock, Straker and other men of the race. Incidentally it would do no harm to name a boy after me. Yours for the race,

M. A. MAJORS M. D.

Items of Interest.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—The thirty-seventh anniversary of the proclamation of emancipation was celebrated at the Friendship Baptist Church under the auspices of the Atlanta Historical and Literary Society. Maj. R. J. Henry, President; Hon. H. A. Rucker, Vice. There has not been a celebration of this kind during the history of the society which was more significant, and one would have to travel far to find an audience of greater average intelligence. The spacious auditorium of the church was taxed to its utmost capacity. The reading of the proclamation by Miss Bessie Roberts was so exquisite that it was in itself an analysis of this the Negro's Magna Charta. The intsrumental soloists, Mrs. W. F. McKenzie and Miss Georgia Harrison, rendered choice selections. Their execution of various instrumental classics was charming. Prof. W. E. B. Duboise, of Atlanta University, the orator of the day, made a masterly effort. His subject, "The Problem of Negro Crime," evoked much favorable comment because of the delicate and yet masterly manner in which it was handled. Dr. J. A. Brockett, of Morris Brown College, offered the anniversary prayer. It was a matchless plea. The great audience stood with bowed heads while the deep, rich, musical voice presented a memorial of thanksgiving to the Supreme Ruler. Not a sound could be heard, save the voice of prayer, in confession, petition, thanksgiving and supplication. The prayer was as a proclamation of victory. The essay by Miss Josie Holmes was rendered with womanly grace and sweetness and withal was fraught with such a broad catholic spirit and such a depth of thought that it will stand for days to come. * * A meeting of much significance by some of the prominent citizens of the city of Atlanta and State of Georgia was held in the office of the Mutual Aid Association on Thursday. The measure recently passed in the Georgia Legislature relative to restricting the rights of Negroes in sleeping cars was quite fully discussed and plans for future action were outlined. * * A monster mass meeting was recently held in Allen Temple, A. M. E. Church, by the officers, members and friends of the Mutual Relief Association. This association is a department of the Negro Federation, one of the most flourishing and prosperous business organizations among the Negroes in the country. Its founders and stockholders are among some of the most substantial and prominent of the citizens of the Southern States. * * Bishop H. M. Turner, who was recently prostrated by a stroke of paralysis, is rapidly improving under the scientific skill of Dr. W. F. Penn.

Newsy Items.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—The Blue Bell Social Club give their annual reception at the residence of Mrs. Mattie Higgans, No. 1526 Harney street. There were one hundred present and all went home delighted. * * Prof. McClermen is arranging for a grand concert for charity benefits at Odd Fellow Hall. We hope he will meet with sucess. * * I was pleased to be able to meet with the young people at the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday and find under the new management of Prof. Blue, who just came here two months ago from the South to take charge. He is a gentleman who has had training along this line and it is my judgment if he continues in Louisville he can feel proud of the change. There I found The Freeman welcome with the secretary and members. Young men, come out next Sunday. A good meeting is expected. * * Sick list: Rev. Dr. Thompson, of Quinn Chapel, who was on the sick list, has again recovered and preached a powerful sermon Sunday evening—5 chap. Corin., 27 ver. The attendance was large. Quinn Chapel is meeting with great success in her revival meeting, which is just commencing. May God be with them in their grand effort to save this place from sin. * * Rev. J. W. Luckette met with a very severe trouble between Louisville and Shelbyville on his way to the latter place to preach Monday. The full particulars are not learned, but he was found lying beside the track unconscious and was brought to Louisville, where he has had close attention. * * We are glad to state at this writing that he is much better, and it is to be hoped by the masses he will recover soon. Something more definite will be learned by the next issue. * * Rev. Anderson slipped and wrenched his ankle the past week. * * Prof Sweety Hawkins, who has been complaining some time, is again around and about to appear before the public with a high class, entertaining, concert company. * * I am told that St. James Church on Fifteenth street, has rapidly grown since Rev. S. B. Simes has taken charge. Such fire should be in all of our churches here in Louisville. * * Deaths: Mr. Nat Mathews, a barber, died very suddenly last Wednesday evening. He was a member of Southern Cross Lodge, No. 39, U. B. F., and G. W. O. O. F. * * Mr. Sunny Harris, an old citizen, died on Tuesday at his residence after a short illness. He was 70 years old, and carried on an express business for years. His death was a surprise to many friends. * * Don't forget to sub- per year.

Nelson Chesman & Co.

Quarter of a Century of Continuous Business Success.

Condensed Review of the Growth of One of the Leading Newspaper Advertising Agencies of the World.

Last month the well-known advertising agency of Nelson Chesman & Co. completed its twenty-fifth year of continnous business. The quarter of a century during which it has grown from modest proportions to its present magnitude has marked the evolution and systematizing of the advertising agency business as a science, and it is difficult to realize what few precedents the founder of the firm had to guide himself by when he, in partnership with Mr. George P. Rowell, commenced business in St. Louis on November 1st, 1874. To Mr. Chesman is largely due the credit of having

NELSON CHESMAN,
FOUNDER AND PRES. NELSON CHESMAN & CO.

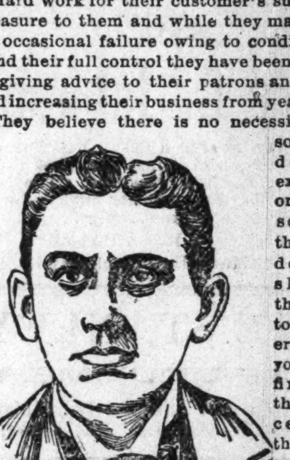
inaugurated what may be described as systematic advertising. His firm started out with the fixed idea that advertising pays, whether local or national, provided the requirements and policy of each individual advertiser are carefully studied, and proper care exercised in the selection of mediums. Its policy was to convince not only the occasional advertiser, but the non-advertiser as well, of this fact. In this crusade of education it succeeded beyond expectation, and although some of the theories and arguments favoring heavy expenditure in advertising were regarded at first as wild and unreasonable, its present staunchest adherents include many of its earliest and most severe critics.

The close of the century is marked by the keenest competition in every line of business, and failure to judiciously advertise involves being passed by more enterprising competitors. Every year Nelson Chesman & Co. are consulted by firms which have either never advertised at all, or which have only advertised spasmodically, and hence in a large measuro unsuccessfully. They are exceptionally successful in advising not only how and where to advertise, but what lines should be made specialties of.

The absolute necessity of newspaper advertising has never been more generally recognized than at the present moment, and no agency has been more successful in directing enterprise into proper and profitable channels. A canvass of Nelson Chesman & Co.'s customers and clients would yield an almost unanimous response in the affirmative to the oft put question "Does advertising pay?", and the firm's experience and system of doing business is directly responsible for this. The implicit confidence placed in the firm's judgment is the real secret of the rapid and continuous growth which has marked its career during its twenty-five years of life.

Hard work for their customer's success is a pleasure to them and while they may register an occasional failure owing to conditions beyond their full control they have been fortunate in giving advice to their patrons and holding and increasing their business from year to year.

They believe there is no necessity for resorting to doubtful experiments on a large scale. If there is any doubt, go slow, is their advice to customers. Prove your ground first and then proceed with the greatest caution is a cardinal principle with them.



CONRAD BUDKE,
VICE PRES. & TREAS.

More than sixty experienced persons, exclusive of eight or ten printers who set up advertisements and other matter on the premises, are on the permanent staff of Nelson Chesman & Co., as compared with three or four in the firm's early days. To keep pace with this phenomenal growth the floor space of the head office alone has been increased from 600 to more than 7,000 square feet. More than $25,000 was spent for the building and for remodeling it for their offices at St. Louis. They are one of two of the agencies that own outright and occupy their own building. The head office to-day is one of the best equipped in the country, and both branch offices are complete in every detail.

In 1878 Mr. Rowell retired from the firm which then became known as Nelson Chesman & Co. For ten years it continued to extend the scope of its operations. In February 1888, it was incorporated under the same name, and a branch was opened in New York City. Three years later the Chicago branch was added. A few months ago the New York office was disposed of, and a branch started in Pittsburgh, Pa. All of the offices have been phenomenally successful.

In 1898 Nelson Chesman & Co. issued the first volume of their "Newspaper Rate Book." This was exceedingly well received and endorsed on all hands as the most systematic and reliable hand book and compilation of statistics of the press of the United States. Two months ago a second edition carefully corrected up to date was issued and the demand for it from all points of the compass is a striking testimony to the ability manifested in compiling and editing the earlier edition.

A department for advertising in papers printed in other than the English language was recently added. This department places advertising in papers printed in more than twenty-five different languages, translations being made from English copy and the entire work executed with the usual care shown in all the Company's business methods. No other Advertising Agency in the country attempts this class of advertising as a specialty.

The officers of Nelson Chesman & Co. are all well known in the newspaper world, as well as among prominent advertisers. The founder, Mr. Nelson Chesman, has always been the guiding spirit of the house during its long and uninterrupted career, and is still its President. The Vice-president and Treasurer of the company is Mr. Conrad Budke. He secured a position with the firm in 18[illegible], and when it was incorporated was elected Secretary and Treasurer and placed in charge of the St. Louis office as general manager. On September 1st of this year Mr. Budke was elected Vice-President and Treasurer. His lengthy connection with the advertising agency business, as well as the excellent opportunities afforded him of studying Mr. Chesman's honorable and highly successful methods have made him an exceptionally valuable man to advertisers and publishers, and his advice and judgment are in constant request. Mr. Budke was succeeded in the Secretaryship of the Company by Mr. Richard Pendergast, another graduate in the advertising business who has been directly connected with the company since the year 1881. These three gentlemen constitute the board of directors of the Company.

RICHARD PENDERGAST
SECRETARY.

ARTHUR A. WILLSON,
MGR. AT CHICAGO.

The Chicago office is under the able management of Mr. Arthur A. Willson, also a stockholder in the company, who has held the position since 1893, and has been largely instrumental in extending the sphere of its operations in the West, North-west and North.

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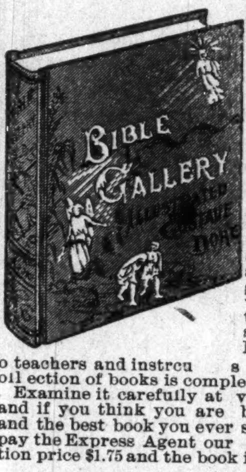

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This work is bound in a rich vellum binding and printed on the finest kind of paper. It contains over 100 matchless illustrations, every one being a masterpiece and each of them accompanied by a graphic Bible story which cannot fail to interest all in the study of the Bible. It is very beneficial o teachers and instrcu s and no library or oll ection of books is complete without it.

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Creole Switches.

I have a fine line of them 22 inches long and a very short stem, black and wavey weighs one ounce each, sent post paid on receipt of $1.50 or will send a pair of them for $2.50. Send sample of hair.

AGENTS WANTED.

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THE M'CARTY CANCER CURE

121 N. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

$3.75

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Cut this ad. out and send to us, mention No. 2141, state your Height, Weight, Bust Measure, Length of garment from collar down back to waist line, and waist line to bottom of skirt, state BLACK OR BLUE, and we will send you this WATERPROOF MACKINTOSH by express C. O. D., subject to examination. Examine and try it on at your nearest express office and if found exactly as represented, and the greatest value you ever saw, pay your express agent OUR SPECIAL PRICE $3.75, less the $1.00, or $2.75 and express charges.

THIS MACKINTOSH is made of black or blue genuine WILCOX ENGLISH CASHMERE WATERPROOF CLOTH, fancy plaid lining, velvet collar, double detachable cape, full sweep cape and skirt, latest style and finest tailor made. Bust size 32 to 42.

AGENTS WANTED

MEN and WOMEN to take orders for Waterproof Garments, Men's Mackintoshes $3.00 up, Ladies' Mackintoshes $3.50 up, Skirts and Capes from $2.25 up. WE FURNISH a big book of samples and complete outfit. Without previous experience you can make $5.00 to $10.00 every day in the year. Write for full particulars. Address

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This firm is thoroughly reliable.—Editor. 3M

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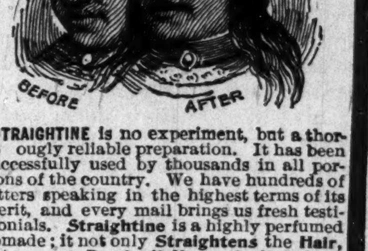

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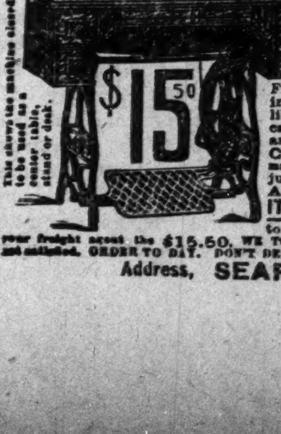

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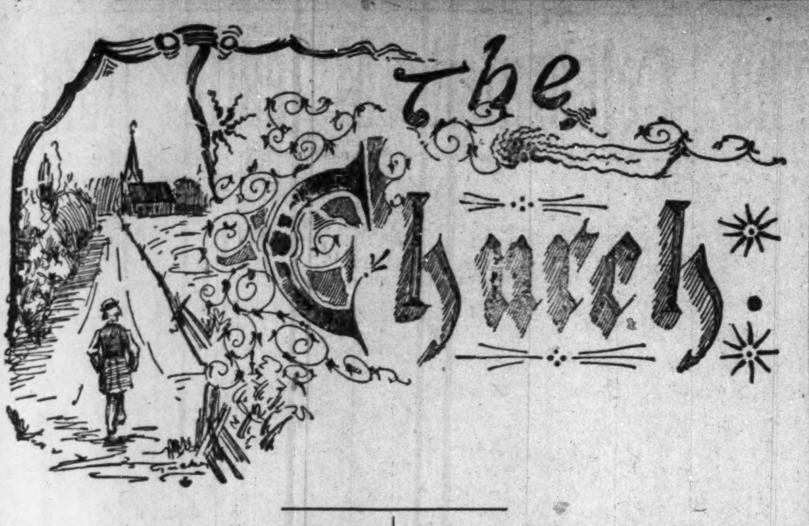

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Rev. L. J. Montague, of Boston, Mass., is a good example of the educated ministry.

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Rev. Reuben J. Gaines, pastor of Bethany Baptist church Brooklyn, N. Y., feels much chagrined over the shabby treatment which he and othe Afro-American delegates received at the recent annual convention of the Y[illegible] People's Baptist Union of A[illegible] held at Richmond, Va.

Me[illegible]rs who hold positions in the church as officers ought to remember that they are looked upon to be the leading lights in the church; when they overshadow their lights by their evil deeds they are marked as being unworthy the position they occupy, and they need not be surprised when they are laughed to scorn by sinners they attempt to lecture. God has more respect for the out and out sinner than he could possibly have for a contemptible hypocrite in the church. "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matt. 5: 16—Bethel A. M. E. church Bulletin, Sacramento, Cal.

Monday morning, Jan. 8, at 11 o'clock, the Baptist colored ministers of Indianapolis convened their regular weekly meeting. Rev. J. W. Carr, D. D., Moderator. After the regular order of devotional services, with Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. Busby, singing "Blest Be the Tie," and "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross," minutes were read by Rev. Holder, and favorable reports were received from the following preachers: Rev. Holder, of Haughville Baptist Church; Rev. Seymore, of New Bethel Baptist Church; Rev. Young, officiating at Shilo Baptist Church; Rev. Walker, Jr., of "The Freman;" Rev. Rainer, of Irvington; Rev. Williams, of South Calvary Baptist Church; Rev. Tedus, First Baptist Church, West Indianapolis; Rev. Farrel of Mt. Zion; Rev. Busby, who reported that example is his present mode of preaching, and Rev. J. W. Carr, D. D. All reports bore live testimony of much manifest good wrought by the power of the Holy Ghost in the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Out of suggestions by Rev. Seymore it was thought that there is a possible diversity of character of the Holy Ghost, which call forth strong and laughable olis; Rev. Farrell, of Mt. Zion; Rev. Carr, D. D. These responses showed, however, that if there is diversity of character in connection with the work of the Holy Ghost it is in the man that the Holy Ghost visits and not in the Holy Ghost. Rev. Williams' report of his sermon, subject, "Invoicing," brought much interest in systematic theology, which was highly appreciated by all, and encouraged by Rev. Carr, D. D. It was reported that Reverends Farrell, Young and Tedus were engaged in a series of meetings at their respective churches. Much profound sympathy was expressed for Rev. Mrs. Blackshear, whose serious illness deprives the alliance of Rev. J. J. Blackshear's presence. Rev. Griffin, who is preaching at various churches in the city, was introduced, and expressed much joy for the privilege. Rev. W. R. Toliver, of Louisville, Ky., was next introduced, and told in an impressive manner of his mission as a representative of the foreign missionary society and of his sermons at the Second Baptist Church, Sunday, Jan. 7, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., Rev. J. W. Carr, pastor. Miss Harper (white) was next introduced, and told of her efforts to secure the space of one column in the Daily News and Indianapolis Press for publishing news for colored people, and asked for indorsement by the Alliance, which was given after a debate by Reverends Seymore, Farrell, Tedus, Rainer, Young, Williams and Walker, Jr.—Revs. Seymore, Tedus, Farrell and Williams, affirmative, and Rev. R. H. Walker, Jr., neutral, but prospectively negative. Speculating with theories of possibility, Rev. Walker showed that an indorsement of such efforts would mean indorsement of establishing more clearly a white and color line, which is not the best thing for ministers to do. That it is possible that the prestage of all Baptist colored ministers centered in a white man's paper, would mean relaxation of prestage centered in journalism among colored men; that if colored writers and bookkeepers could find employment with a white man's newspaper in proportion to colored subscribers it would be well to indorse a white man's expansion scheme of enlarging subscription lists among colored people; that the ministers' presttige would have a tendency to enlarge the subscription of a daily paper at an average of one thousand subscribers a year over and above a natural floating subscription; that such an enlargement would mean an increased average of four hundred dollars ($400) a month solicited from the purses of colored people; that if such interest could be made manifest in a paper published by a colored man we could have a daily paper in which we could publish daily news to as great advantage as any press in the United States, and employ our idle competent boys, ladies and gentlemen, but if it is simply to say yes and help the lady to secure and reserve a column in the press for the expressed purpose of publishing respectable news for colored people in a daily paper and since we have not a daily paper of our own and this arrangement embodies no responsibility on the part of colored people or the Alliance, I agree. All other speakers voiced each other out of courtesy for the lady visitor, claiming that such a column would be a sign of race recognition. Showers of questions rained on Rev. Walker as he spoke. Though they gave rise to pauses and perhaps lead to disputation they had no effect on stubborn facts. Rev. Young said in conclusion that a resolution indorsing a petition for space as related thus centering the prestige of minters would prove to be an Alliance with contending evil. Rev. Holder, who was expected to read a paper entitled, "The Duty of the Ministry," will have a wide field from which to enrich his thoughts. All are invited to visit the Alliance Monday at 11 o'clock a. m. Benediction by Rev. Toliver, of Louisville, Ky.

Notes of Interest.

Henderson, Ky., Special.—The "I Wonder" Temple elected officers for 1900 at the first meeting in December. They are as follows: Miss Mary Thomas, N. W. P.; Mrs. Susan Mitchell, V. P.; Mrs. Susan Carr, Secretary; Mrs. Annie Dunn, Assistant Secretary; Mrs. Annie Johnson, chairman of Board of Managers; Mrs. Phoebe Jeffers, chairman of Sick Cimmittee; Mr. Robt. Taylor, Joshua. The officers were installed Jan. 4, 1900, by H. R. Hollowell. * * Mrs. Maria Grigsby, entertained a few friends Dec. 26th in honor of Mrs. Sarah Taylor, of St. Louis, Mo. Those present were: Mesdames James Halchett, Robert Taylor, Philip Bell, James Alexander. * * Mrs. Mary Webb spent the holidays in Providence, Ky., visiting her brother. * * Mr. John Slaughter, of Carmi, Ill., was the guest of his parents during the holidays. * * Misses Elena J. Cabell and Susie D. Harris, Mr. Mack Valentine and Dr. Alexander went to Owensboro, Dec. 29th, to attend a hop. * * Miss Annie V. Kennedy and Master Robert Mitchell came home from State University to spend the holidays with their parents. * * Miss Nellie Mae Browne returned from Evansville after a pleasant visit to Miss Laura Louise Gibson. * * Miss Lula Morton has returned from St. Louis. * * Mrs. Frazier met with the misfortune of having her hand shot so that amputation was necessary. ½ * Miss Hattie Cooksey has returned from Russellville. * * Master Sylvan Browne entertained a few of his friends at dinner Dec. 24. Those present were Irvin Price, James Orton and Thomas Jackson. * * Mrs. Morgan, of Owensboro, and Miss Clara Lyndon, of Springfield, O., were guests of Mrs. C. F. O'Neal during the holidays. * * Misses Virgle Alves and Viola Cabell went to Evansville Dec. 27th. * * Sick list: Miss Mattie Webb, Mesdames Lucy Lambert, Hettie Johnson, Virgie Taylor, Addie Garner.

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Mrs. Parnell 907 Tobert street is well, recovered from a long spell of sickness.

The K. of T. of Indianapolis has two weeks of financial dispensation for $1.50 initiation fee.

Evangelist J. L. Griffin closed a successful revival meeting Monday night at Simpson Chapel.

Send 25 cents to Charles Alexander Huntsville, Ala., and receive a copy of One Hundred Distinguished Leaders.

The member of Second Baptist church have pledged to pay their edifice and clear the church of every endebtedness in 1900. Rev. Carr, D. D., pastor.

McKernan's new gent's furnishing store at 334 Indiana avenue keeps a complete stock of the latest gents wear at the lowest prices.

Mr. Allen, First advisor of the T. W. T. H. is still hopeful for his order But the people of Indianapolis will have to see something before believing much.

William Higgins was buried from Mt. Zion Baptist Church last Wednesday. His death occurred Monday at the home of his sister 839 W. Pratt street. He was a member of the U. B. F.

"Hundreds were unable to gain admittance at Dr. Clifford's Westborne Park Chapel. All through the entertainment was a great treat, and should be very popular in this country."—Musical World, London. Allen Chapel, Jan. 30.

E. B. Hampton the local representative of the American Mutual Aid Association of St. Louis, Mo., addressed the congregation of South Calvary church last Sunday night in behalf of the association he represents, he also spoke at Allen Chapel on Tuesday night. Mr. Hampton deserves the patronage of the people at large and The Freeman wishes him success.

DES MOINES, April 3, 1899.

To Whom it May Concern:—

We have had the Canadian Jubilee Singers for two nights in the Central church. I have no hesitation in pronouncing them the very best Jubilee Singers I have heard. I am confident that any church engaging them will enjoy a rich and rare musical evening. Sincerely. H. O. Breeden. This company will appear at Allen Chapel, Tuesday evening Jan. 30.

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Kid Roberson the clever California lightweight who hes been in Indiapolis for ten months, added many new friends and backers to his list by easily defeating Jimmy Blackwell in less than two minutes at the Cleveland Club Wednesday night. Blackwell was 20 pounds heavier than the "Kid" but could not stand his terrific swings. The Kid will leave for his home in Los Angles Cal. on the 28th afterwhich he will go East and meet Gans and other top notchers.

Smoke Pro Bono.

THE SOCIAL WHIRL

Pro Bono after meals.

The Alhambria Club last Wednesday night gave a Midwinter Picnic in the Odd Fellow hall. The ladies and gentlemen were neatly dressed in the latest stylesfor the occasion. About one hundred people were present

"The Canadian Jubilee Singers, who made their first appearance at the Tabernacle last evening, rendered one of the most enjoyable concerts ever heard in this city"—Erie Times They will be at Allen Chapel Tuesday evening Jan. 30.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Taset of 526 Spring street entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Casey of Chicago, Friday evening Jan. 5. Mr. Casey has just returned from a ten days trip to Atlanta and Savannah, Ga., and other cities in the South. Miss L. Elkins also was present.

PERSONAL.

Miss Locklear made a friendly call at The Freeman office last Saturday.

Mr. H. Baily, of Canada, is visiting his daughter 1323 Alleghany street.

W. A. Walden, of Albia, Iowa, was a delegate to the Miners convention this week.

Mrs. Charles Bass has returned from a pleasant visit with Miss Lizzie Earl in Greensburg, Ind.

Mr. Percey Stone, general manager of the American Mutual Aid Association of St. Louis, Mo., was a pleasant caller at this office last week.

Mrs. Webber 619 Indiana avenue has returned from an extensive trip South visiting her mother and friends in Louisville, Ky., during the holidays.

After a very pleasant visit of three weeks in Kentucky, Mesdames Katherine Dozzell and D. D. Hunter, returned home last Saturday with favorable report.

Mr. W. J. Campbell, of Central City, Ky., was a delegate to the national meeting of the United Mine Workers of America which convened in this city at Masonic hall.

Pro Bono after meals.

Mr. Z. W. Williams, of Crawfordsville, Ind., was a pleasant caller Tuesday on Geo. L. Knox, publisher of The Freeman. He was a delegate to the District convention which met in Lebanon.

The people are all right. This is the third time they have appeared before churches I have served.—Rev. D. L. Thompson, Paster First M. E. church, Ames, Iowa. At Allen Chapel Tuesday evening Jan. 30.

National Organizer, Joseph W. Henderson of Providence R. I., and Assistant National Organizer, Miss. M. G. Burnett of the American Protective League will establish several branches of the league in Indianapolis next week. They have just completed a successful organization tour throughout Ohio. The League is a National Organization, composed of men women and children. A National convention will be held in June. Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago being among the conventional probabilities.

The Canadian Jubilee Singers.

Reserved seats for the Canadian Jubilee Singers concert at Allen Chapel Jan. 30, on sale at the pastors office 703 E. Pratt street or at The Freeman office 309 Indiana avenue.

Attorney R. B. Bagby.

Lawyer R. B. Bagby, whose office is No. 633 Lemcke Building, new phone 922, has been very successful with the business entrusted to him In two important damage suits against the Street Railroad Company, one by suit and the other by settlement, Mr. Bagby has recovered large damages for his clients. Mr. Bagby is a graduate of Oberlin College and also a graduate and a post graduate of the famous Columbian University Law School of Washington, D. C. His long experience as Deputy County Clerk here gives him a thorough knowledge of the ins and outs of our courts.

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The Canadian Jubilee Singers and Imperial Orchestra.

The above shows the pictures of the Famous Canadian Jubilee Singers and Imperial Orchestra of the world that will appear at Allen Chapel, Tuesday January 30, 1900. It is the only rare treat of the season for the people of Indianapolis. Admission 25 cents; reserved seats 35c. Buy your tickets at once, reserving a seat for yourself and wife or company. A great rush is on.

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The Ministers Aliance.

Met Monday at 11 a. m., Jan. 15 Rev. Underwood, moderator. The regular order of devotional service and reports were concluded after which Mrs. Smunk of the Rescue Mission was introduced. Mrs. Smunk showed the need of a Rescue Mission for colored girls as well as for white girls and ask the ministers to give their approbation of a move to establish one which they did, under the proposition of Rev. N. A. Seymour, who proposed to call the new establishment Rescue Mission No. 2. Mrs. Smunk expressed her thanks and retired with a strong determination to have her Mission No. 2, on foot and in working order in a few days. Mr. Lawrence of Irvington, and next claimed the floor to propose a move for a Y. M. C. A. which after a strong appeal by Rev. Walker, and objections by Rev. Blackshear, Raynor, Seymour was deferred for further consideration. Berediction by Rev. Williams.

The Annual Meeting.

At the annual meeting of Friendship Lodge No. 3, U. B. of F. the lodge was shown to have made great progress during the past fiscal year under its able management and to have established itself as the strongest lodge financially among the orders of the U. B. F. fraternities of the city. The business like methods by which the meetings are characterized have aroused the greatest interest on the part of the members and at every meeting applications for membership are being received.

The following is the Fin. Sec,, report as to the condition membership 114,

Gross receipts..................	$1336.40
Disbursement for Alpha Home.	17.00
...............Relief of Sick....	154.00
..................Widows......	8.00
............Funerals..........	180.00
....Charities.........	6.50
..........Current expenses....	259.65
Balance in Treasury..	711.25

The following officers were installed for the current year:—Wm. G. Parks, W. M., Dr. W. E. Brown, D. M., Walter Jameson, W. T., W. E. Jones, F. S., O. V. Royall, R. S. Thos. Smith, Leonard Maxey and Louis Williams, Trustees Robert Darnell chairman sick committee

Application for Divorce.

Firmin C. Brown vs Mary E. Brown } State of Ind., Marion Co., ss: in the Circuit Court of Marion Co., in the State of Indiana.

No. 10130 Complaint for divorce

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 16th day of January 1900 the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant Mary E. Brown is not a resident of the State of Indiana, that said action is for divorce and the said defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said Court, and answer or demur thereto on the 16th day of March 1900.

Now, Therefore, By order of said Court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and unless she appear and answer or demur there, at the calling of said cause on the 16th day of March 1900, the same being the 11th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the City of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in March 1900, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

GEORGE B. ELLIOTT, Clerk.
JAMES T. V. HILL, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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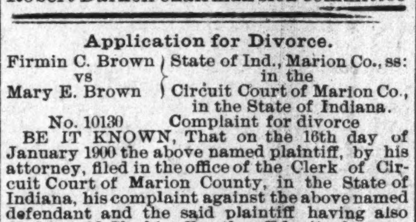

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Best Package Coffee, 11c pound
Genuine Java coffee, 15c pound
Fresh corn meal, 1c pound
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Best kettle-rendered Lard, 7½c pound
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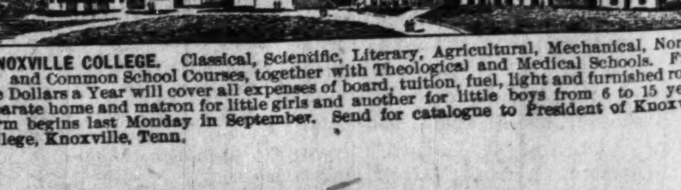

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